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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:

Jennifa Gosling et al.

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Filed: November 21, 2000

For: CHEMOKINE RECEPTOR

Art Unit: 1614

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-referenced application, please enter the following amendments and remarks.

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 11, with the following rewritten paragraph:

This application is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application No. 09/686,020, filed October 10, 2000, which claims benefit of U.S. Provisional Patent Application 60/159,015, filed October 12, 1999, and U.S. Provisional Patent Application 60/159,210, filed October 13, 1999, and U.S. Provisional Patent Application 60/172,979, filed December 20, 1999, and U.S. Provisional Patent Application 60/173,388, filed December 28, 1999, and U.S. Provisional Patent Application 60/186,626, filed March 3, 2000. The disclosure of each of the aforementioned applications is expressly incorporated herein by reference in its entirety and for all purposes.

## REMARKS

The amendments made to this application are for solely for the purpose of clarifying the priority claimed by this application. The parent application (U.S. Patent Application No. 09/686,020) was previously incorporated by reference on the transmittal document. This amendment adds no new matter.

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the specification and claims by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned “Version With Markings to Show Changes Made”.

## CONCLUSION

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 303-571-4000.

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**VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE**

The paragraph beginning at line 11, page 1 has been amended as follows:

This application [claims priority to U.S. provisional patent application nos. 60/159015 (filed October 12, 1999), 60/159210 (filed October 13, 1999), 60/172979 (filed December 20, 1999, 60/173388 (filed December 28, 1999) and 60/186626 (filed March 3, 2000).] is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application No. 09/686,020, filed October 10, 2000, which claims benefit of U.S. Provisional Patent Application 60/159,015, filed October 12, 1999, and U.S. Provisional Patent Application 60/159,210, filed October 13, 1999, and U.S. Provisional Patent Application 60/172,979, filed December 20, 1999, and U.S. Provisional Patent Application 60/173,388, filed December 28, 1999, and U.S. Provisional Patent Application 60/186,626, filed March 3, 2000. The disclosure of each of the aforementioned applications is expressly incorporated herein by reference in its entirety and for all purposes.

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